



Public Water & Subdivision Bureau



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- •Subdivision Review Section Steve Kilbreath, Section Supervisor
- •Public Water Plan Review Section Rachel Clark, Section Supervisor
- •Public Water Compliance Section John Camden, Section Supervisor
- •Technical Services Section Jenny Chambers, Section Supervisor
- And: Regional Field Offices Billings, Missoula, Kalispell



Helena

Who are we?

Steve Kilbreath – Section Supervisor

Mary Schroeder, John Herrin, Sheryl Consort – Env Science Spec

Jim Kujawa, Deanne Fischer – Environmental Engineers, PE

Kalispell Field Office

Keith Gestring – Env Science Spec

Missoula Field Office

Greg Wermers – Env Science Spec



What does DEQ regulate and review for subdivisions?

- 1. We review all parcels created that are less than 20 acres in size, condominiums, trailer courts and RV parks regardless of lot size.
- 2. We review all water supply, wastewater treatment, solid waste disposal and storm water drainage plans. In addition we do non-degradation pre-determinations and water availability predeterminations.



Laws and Regulations Governing Subdivisions

Sanitation in Subdivisions

76-4-101 to 135, MCA

Subdivision Regulations

ARM 17.36.101-805

County Minimum Standards for On-site Wastewater Treatment

ARM 17.36.901-922



Seven Design Circulars

DEQ-1 Standards for Water Works

DEQ-2 Design Standards for Wastewater Facilities

DEQ-3 Standards for Small Water Systems

DEQ-4 Standards for Subsurface Wastewater Treatment

DEQ-8 Montana Standards for Subdivision Storm Drainage

DEQ-11 Montana Standards for Development of Springs

DEQ-17 Montana Standards for Cisterns



Where is Information Located to complete your subdivision?

DEQ website has all rules, regulations, design circulars and application materials

Helena, Kalispell, and Missoula office have all materials and one on one assistance



Application Content

- 1. Plans and Specs for water supply, wastewater treatment, and storm water system ranges from simple to complex
- 2. Lot layouts
- 3. Solid waste information
- 4. Nondegradation analysis
- 5. Soils information
- 6. Local approval letter
- 7. Plat, Certificate of Survey, or deed
- 8. Easements, covenants, water rights, user agreements
- 9. Previous approval statement



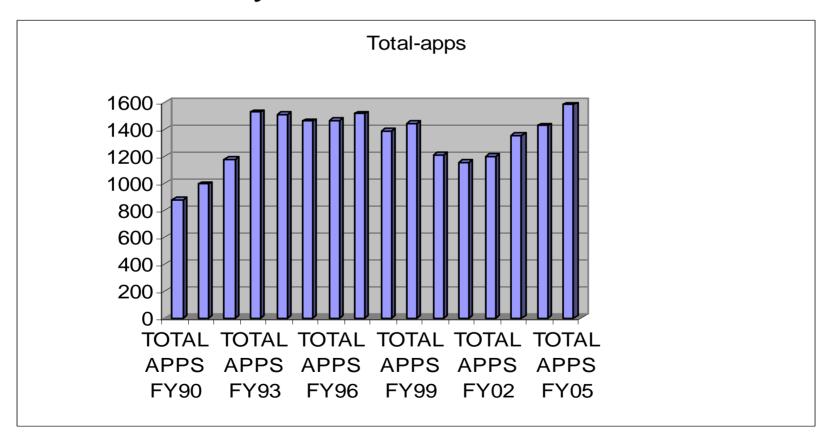
Review Process

Two separate yet similar processes

- 1. Non contracted county, 60 days for DEQ to approve or deny. All submittal information comes to DEQ but needs County approval..
- 2. Contracted County, 50 days for local reviewing authority, 10 days for DEQ for a total of 60 days. DEQ review of contracted county approvals is for completeness only except for 1 out of 10 is a complete review. We currently have 17 contracted counties.

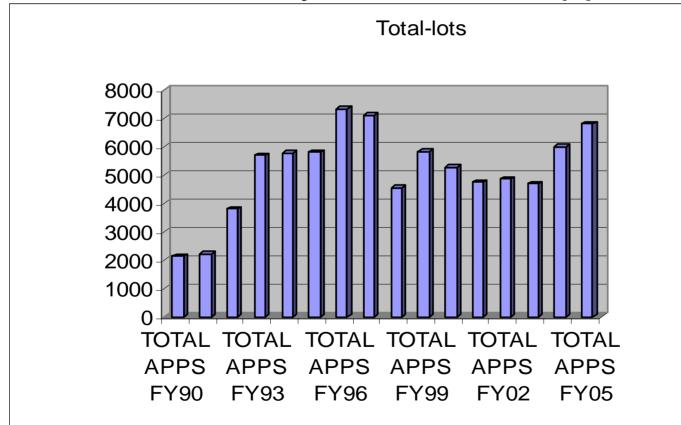


How many submittals do we review?



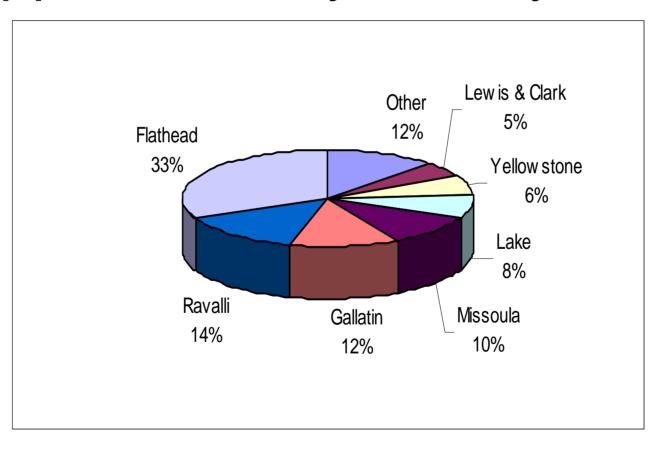


How many lots do we approve?





Applications by County 2005





How did we do in FY 2005?

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10 Day files
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2005 – 1044 Ten Day files submitted
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2005 – 1030 Ten Day files approved
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60 Day files (491 files)
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152 within 60 days – first submittal (31%)
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183 within 120 - 1 re-submittal (37%)

70 within 180 days - 2 re-submittals (14%)

86 – 181 to 1135 days "Problem Files" (18%)



What can we do to get better?

- 1. Task Force Rules & Issues, Next meeting is April 6, 2006
- 2. On-line application process
 - Application Incomplete Applications Streamline
 - Soils Standardized
 - All needed paperwork included
- 3. Additional Field Office Bozeman or Billings
- 4. Proposed Legislation
 - Water rights, High Strength Waste, 76-4-125 clarification



What can we do to get better?

- 5. Rule changes upcoming
 - Fees
 - 3 tiers new parcels, existing parcels, emergencies
 - Mixing zones
 - Discharge permits
 - Nondegradation issues standardization
- 6. New FTE's recently approved for 2 new positions